

Floor Statement of Rep. John Garamendi
Safe Climate Caucus
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Mr. Speaker, the climate is changing. Climate change is very, very real. You only have to look at the superstorms we've had, Sandy and others, and the \$180 billion of destruction that has been wrought upon us from the environment just over the last two years.

The climate is changing, and there is something we can do about it. In fact, there is something this House of Representatives must do about it, and that is to move forcefully, directly, and aggressively to clean energy policies.

We ought to be subsidizing those clean energy systems that are out there: solar and wind in my own district. In Solano County, we have one of the biggest wind farms. My own history in this goes back to 1978, when I authored legislation for state tax credits.

We can and we must deal with climate change, and we can do it with clean energy policies.